

REMARKS

Claims 1, 10 and 13 to 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b). Claims 2 to 9, 11 and 12 were indicated as allowable.

Claims 1 to 15 have been amended.

Reconsideration of the present application in view of the following is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

Claims 1, 10 and 13 to 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Burke.

Burke shows a former board for folding a web in half.

Claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the present invention is directed to an angle bar, as shown in the specification in Fig. 5 with elements 37, 38, 39, 40 for example. Perhaps the word "arrangement" caused some confusion.

An angle bar in a printing press is a bar that turns the direction of the web, and is also referred to as a turning bar, as is shown in Fig. 5 of the present invention. Angle bars typically are located before the former board in the folder superstructure. An explanation of angle or turning bars as opposed to formers is provided in Handbook of Print Media, pages 270-271, a copy of which is enclosed herein.

It is respectfully submitted that the former board of Burke is not an angle bar as now more clearly recited in claim 1 and claims depending therefrom, and thus withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In addition, the former of Burke is not a "bar". The only bars in Burke are elements 314, 316, which are not hollow, do not have air outlets, and do not have actuators in them. Moreover, Burke does not have or disclose an angle-bar jacket, which again could only be part of elements 314 or 316, and are not hollow and do not have air outlets or actuators.

Withdrawal of the rejection to claims 1, 10 and 13 to 15 is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance and applicants respectfully request such action.

If any additional fees are deemed to be due at this time, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the same to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Respectfully submitted,

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